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DA: Newton teacher had child porn on computer

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Riders say T cuts, fare hike would be 'chaos'

MBTA holds first of public hearings on T cuts and fare increases ◗ Frustrated commuters voice their concerns on proposals

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▶ Commuters packed in to the Newton meeting room like a Green Line car during rush hour.

It was standing room only as hundreds of concerned T riders cluttered Newton's City Hall for the first public hearing held by MBTA officials to discuss potential fare increases and service cuts.

Riders were outraged by the two proposals floated by the MBTA, which could essentially kill off hundreds of bus routes as well as Commuter Rail access, while simultaneously pumping up fare prices.

"It's like a 'Sophie's Choice,'" said resident Rick Warren. "What's the worse of the two evils?"

Warren said the T should "slow their jets" when it comes to implementing service cuts and fare increases because doing both at the same time would be chaotic.

"It seems unrealistic that [riders] can absorb as much change as you are proposing," he said. "It will create total chaos in the system with both customers and employees."

College student Doris Vincent, 19, said the potential fare increases would force her to move to the Wheelock College campus because it would be cheaper than taking public transportation everyday.

"Find a creative solution [to close the budget gap] without destroying the lives of innocent citizens."
BARBARA A. DUCEY, NEWTON RESIDENT

"The disability community is everybody's neighbor and these decisions while difficult for you, they are not only difficult for us, they are life-changing."
BRIAN CHARLSON, BLIND WATERTOWN RESIDENT

"And if I live there, I will be stranded on the weekends because I can't take the Commuter Rail home," she said.

More than 20 public meetings are scheduled through March to garner input from riders before the MBTA Board makes a final decision in the spring.

Some of the changes, if passed, would include eliminating ferries and 101 bus routes.

It would also axe the Green Line's E train and Commuter Rail trains on weekends, as well as commuter services after 10 p.m.

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Public hearings

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  Chelsea 6-8 p.m.
  Public Library
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- **Jan. 19, Thursday**
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  Roxbury Community College
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- **Jan. 23, Monday**
  Boston 1-3 p.m., 4:30-6:30 p.m.
  Transportation Building
  10 Park Plaza
- **Jan. 31, Tuesday**
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  6-8 p.m.
  Mildred Avenue Community Center
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MAYOR THOMAS MENINO DURING HIS STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS LAST NIGHT.

Today's local tweet

"it's fine, #MBTA... I'll just stop buying monthly passes, take the T less and walk more. Thanks for looking out for my fitness."
@TULASANA ON PROPOSED T CUTS AND FARE INCREASES BEING FLOATED BY OFFICIALS

State gets millions for park upgrades, creation

BOSTON. Parks in Boston, Somerville, Quincy and elsewhere were awarded millions in grants for upgrades and creation, state officials announced yesterday.

Brighton's Joyce Park received $500,000 for upgrades and Somerville received the same amount for the creation of a park on Cross Street. METRO

$14M
Twenty-five cities and towns were awarded millions yesterday in grant funding for the creation or upgrading of park lands. The largest award was $1.4 million for a park in Holyoke.

KICOLAUS CZARNECKI/METRO

▶ Joyce Park

Scores of dolphins stranding on Cape

CAPE COD. Scores of dolphins have been washed up on or near beaches on Cape Cod since last week, leaving some dead.

Six dolphins were stranded Monday but were rescued and released back in to the water, according to the Globe. The largest stranding occurred Saturday when 37 dolphins washed up and 14 died. METRO

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The number of dolphins that have stranded on Cape beaches since Thursday, according to the International Fund for Animal Welfare.

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News in brief

Brookline creates fire victims fund

BROOKLINE. Following a four-alarm fire Monday that displaced dozens of Brookline residents from a Beacon Street building, the town has established a fund to help those in need.

According to the Brookline TAB, tax deductible donations can be made out to the Beacon Street Fire Fund and sent to Brookline Municipal Credit Union, 334 Washington St., Brookline, MA, 02447-0776. METRO

First murder victim ID'd

DORCHESTER. A Lynn teen was identified yesterday as Boston's first murder victim of 2012.

Christopher Pichardo, 18, was found fatally shot inside a Dorchester home Saturday afternoon.

Police are still hunting for the killer. Anyone with information is asked to call 617-343-4470. METRO

News photog hits pedestrian on 93

SOMERVILLE. A news photographer for WHDH was driving a car that hit a man on I-93 in Somerville early yesterday morning.

The 25-year-old man was in serious condition after the 2:30 a.m. crash, according to WHDH. It is believed the man was crossing the highway after his car became disabled.

No charges have been filed. METRO

Newton teacher to face more child porn charges today

The charges

1. Possessing child pornography – two counts
2. He will also face additional charges today for allegedly having created pornographic images of a preteen girl.

A Newton elementary school teacher who once fit in with the close-knit school community was allegedly found with hundreds of pornographic images of children on his computer.

David Ettlinger, 34, of Brighton, pleaded not guilty during his arraignment yesterday. He was ordered held without bail pending an arraignment today on more charges.

Ettlinger worked as a second- and third-grade teacher at the Underwood school for 12 years until he was placed on paid leave yesterday when school officials got word of the charges.

Ettlinger was arrested at his Commonwealth Avenue home yesterday. Police searched his

▶ Ettlinger

home and found "multiple image files depicting children under 18 in sexualized contexts," according to the Suffolk district attorney's office.

"Those who possess [child pornography] are supporting the rape and exploitation of innocents who are helpless to defend themselves. Those who create it — as the evidence suggests this defendant did — victimize those children not just once but over and over again every time it's viewed, shared and transmitted," District Attorney Daniel Conley said in a statement.

Authorities said that among the files were images of a girl who is a family friend and not a student. She was about 12 years old when the images were created.

Authorities also alleged that Ettlinger had multiple pairs of girls underwear in his apartment and collected the pairs that were left in public places.

David Fleishman, superintendent of Newton schools, said officials have received no complaints of Ettlinger from students or parents.

"Stunned. Stunned," Fleishman said when asked about his thoughts on the charges.

Fleishman said a background check on employees is done every three years and that one conducted on Ettlinger last year revealed no issues.

Crisis teams were at the school yesterday.

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When super PACs attack

The 2012 election season is shaping up to be defined by super PAC money These groups allegedly have no ties to the candidates they represent, allowing politicians to feign ignorance

The U.S. presidential election is nearly 10 months away, but the theme of the 2012 campaign already seems set: It's the Year of the PAC Attacks.

Political action committees — groups with great clout in U.S. politics that are legally separate from candidates — have spent more than $25 million this campaign season, with much more to come. Nearly half of that amount has bought messages, typically TV and radio advertisements, criticizing candidates.

This campaign season, the PACs have taken over much of the dirty work of running negative ads aimed at hurting rivals, allowing candidates to officially keep their campaigns clean.

In South Carolina, PACs backing individual candidates already have spent $4.6 million in "negative" ads attacking other candidates, according to a Reuters analysis of Federal Election Commission filings.

▶ Comedian Stephen Colbert's super PAC so far has reported spending $21,600 on attacking Romney.

Voters in South Carolina, like those earlier this month in the Iowa and New Hampshire contests that opened the nomination race, have been bombarded by radio, TV and Internet ads. Most of what they are seeing is negative.

There are controversial advertisements placed by Winning Our Future, a PAC supporting former House of Representatives speaker Newt Gingrich, that blast Romney's record as a private equity executive, calling him a corporate raider and a job killer who laid off thousands of workers.

And there are ads by Restore Our Future, the pro-Romney group that helped to drive down Gingrich's poll numbers a month ago with a wave of ads accusing him of having questionable ethics.

"This is a time when everyone picks up a knife and throws it," said Barry Wynn, an influential Republican donor. "It's a cage fight when you come to South Carolina."

REUTERS

$8.1M

Like his campaign, the PAC supporting Romney has far outdistanced its rivals in spending. Restore our Future has reported spending $8.1 million during the overall campaign.

$7.8M

Much of that money has gone toward attack ads against Gingrich, who during the campaign has been the subject of $7.8 million in attack-ad spending, according to a Reuters analysis.

The power of denial

SOUTH CAROLINA. During Monday night's debate for Republican candidates in Myrtle Beach, Santorum went after Romney, saying the ad by Restore Our Future was misleading.

Romney responded with what has become the deniability defense for candidates in the age of super PACs: that the ad criticizing Santorum didn't come from Romney's campaign, so Romney had no control over it.

"If they ever run an ad that's not accurate, I hope they take out the ad and make it correct," Romney, a former Massachusetts governor, said of the PAC that supports him.

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Nobody seems to like him much (aside from primary voters, clearly), but it's become more and more apparent that Mitt Romney will likely be the Republican nominee for the 2012 presidency.

We know what you're thinking: "But Ron Paul!" And: "Shut up and let the voters decide!" And, if my gut is right on this, probably even: "Nice glasses, hipster doofus."

All reasonable points. But we're not here to advocate for a particular candidate, or to sit back and allow the primary process to unfold naturally. Our job is to analyze goofs, gaffes and national trends; and, from where we're sitting, there's no goofier trend than America's mysterious penchant for Mitt Romney.

So like him or not — and we do understand that it's probably "not" — we're going to be paying particularly close attention to the affable Mittens. Get excited.

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▶ Romney is nearly in the nation's "1 percent" of top income earners based solely on his allegedly negligible speaking fees.

15%

Multimillionaire Romney admitted at a campaign stop yesterday that his tax rate is somewhere around 15 percent — lower than most middle-class households. This is because a majority of Mitt's income, like most rich folk, comes in the form of investments, which are taxed at lower rates than traditional income gained from actually, you know, going to work. At the debate Monday night, Romney also explained that "not very much" of his annual income comes in the form of speaking fees. That "not very much" for 2011? Oh, just $374,000.

GET FED

Because sometimes you've only got time to skim the headlines:

- "Mitt Romney is rich. So what?" **WASHINGTON POST**
- "Why Mitt Romney's Tax Rate Matters" **TIME**
- "The Last Clear Shot at Romney" **NYMAG.COM**
- "On policy, Romney is far to Bush's right" **THE WASHINGTON POST**
- "Gingrich: I 'Don't See' Why Calling 'Food Stamps' An African-American Issue Is Insulting" **THINKPROGRESS**
- "Obama going to Disney World" **ORLANDO SENTINEL**
- "Santorum Says He May Have Won in Iowa" **NYTIMES.COM**

First time for everything, we suppose

"It's dirty politics, and I expect that from Barack Obama. I don't ever expect it from a Republican."

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE RICK SANTORUM YESTERDAY ACCUSED ROMNEY OF PLAYING DIRTY OVER MITT'S USE OF A 5-YEAR-OLD SANTORUM RECORDING IN WHICH THE FORMER PA. SEN. HAD ENDORSED ROMNEY FOR 2008 PRESIDENT.

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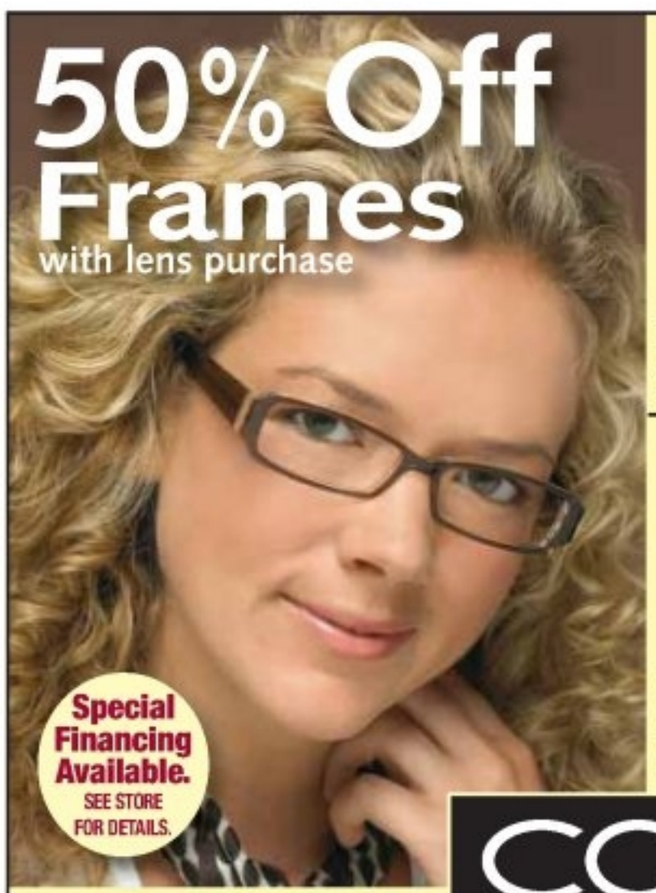

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Italian cruise skipper had to be ordered back

- Newspaper releases reported recording of captain, coast guard argument
- Franceso Schettino allowed to leave jail, but remains under house arrest

Italian coast guards pleaded angrily with the captain of a stricken super-liner to return to his ship, according to recordings released yesterday as divers found five more bodies in the half-submerged wreck of the Costa Concordia.

The discoveries took the known death toll to 11.

One German who was listed as missing has been accounted for, Italy's civil protection department said, leaving 23 people still missing four days after the giant cruiser carrying more than 4,200 passengers and crew was ripped open by rocks off a Tuscan island.

Schettino is accused of multiple manslaughter charges. **REUTERS**

The recordings

Newspaper Corriere della Sera released an alleged recording of ship-to-shore radio communications.

"Listen Schettino, perhaps you have saved yourself from the sea, but I will make you look very bad. I will make you pay for this. Dammit, go back on board!" one coast guard says.

"What do you want to do, to go home, Schettino?! It's dark and you want to go home? Go to the bow of the ship where the ladder is and tell me what needs to be done, how many people there are, and what they need! Now!"

GETTY IMAGES

▶ Captain Francesco Schettino is accused of risking thousands of lives and half a billion dollars of ship in a reckless display.

Assassination charges for W.H. alleged shooter

A U.S. judge found sufficient evidence that an Idaho man allegedly opened fire on the White House in late November in a bid to assassinate President Obama, ordering that he be held pending an indictment and questioning whether he may have a "Messianic complex."

Oscar Ortega-Hernandez, 21, has been charged with trying to kill the president when he allegedly opened fire on the executive mansion with a semi-automatic weapon on November 11.

After a lengthy hearing, U.S. Magistrate Judge John Facciola found that there was probable cause that Ortega-Hernandez had committed the crime and ordered him held pending a grand jury review. **REUTERS**

Blackberry set to be sold to Samsung

Shares of Research In Motion jumped more than 10 percent yesterday after a tech blog said the BlackBerry maker was seeking to sell itself to rival Samsung.

The Boy Genius Report website cited an unidentified source saying that Jim Balsillie an RIM co-chief executive, was meeting with companies interested in either licensing its software or buying a part or all of RIM, with Samsung leading the pack.

Jefferies analyst Peter Misek later said the report was likely true, but that licensing deals for RIM's upcoming phone software was a more likely scenario and would in turn lead to a major restructuring. **REUTERS**

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THE WORD

Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Jessica Alba is feeling a bit sleepy, Neil Patrick Harris is tempted to do reality TV, Chris Colfer is worried about how toddlers perceive him and Joan Rivers is getting the facts straight.

@jessicaalba: Ever feel like you can fall asleep in 1.5 seconds 2 hrs after u wake up? It's 1 of those days.

@ActuallyNPH: I've found a new TV obsession: Celebrity Big Brother UK. Can't stop watching YouTube videos! I so badly want to partake!

@chriscolfer: I was just called "Mama" at a first birthday party. Not sure how I feel about this...

@Joan_Rivers: Madonna reveals that she "didn't stand in front of a mirror and say I'll only date young men". No, she said it on the way to Chuck E Cheese.

Colfer

Paula Deen: Now is 'God's time' to make some cash

Thanks to a super scoop by The Daily about two weeks ago, we learned that celebrity chef **Paula Deen**, champion of all things fattening — deep-fried butter balls, Velveeta fudge and butter/mayo/whiz spread, to name just a few of her recipes — had type 2 diabetes and would soon take that news on a publicity blitz. Well, that whirlwind media tour kicked off yesterday when she went on "Today" to coincide with a USA Today feature about her diagnosis.

Although she's apparently been diabetic for more than two years (while continuing to shill her high-fat, high-calorie cooking), she decided to wait to go public because it wasn't "God's time" when she first learned she was sick. "I felt like I had nothing to offer anybody other than the announcement. I wasn't armed with enough knowledge. I knew when it was time, it would be in God's time," she told USA Today.

▶ Is Deen guilty of tasteless profiteering? Or is this just her version of workers' compensation?

Interestingly enough, for Deen, "God's time" means "time to finagle a lucrative contract with the makers of a diabetes drug." As, oh yes, Deen used that lull to sign on as a sponsor for the diabetes medicine Victoza. A new website featuring Deen as their spokesperson also launched yesterday.

Deen doesn't want to talk about how much money she's making off the deal. She tells USA Today, "Talking about money is garish. It's tacky. But, of course, I've been compensated for my time. That's the way our world works."

Is it just me, or is it also "garish" and "tacky" to continue to shill your junk food to people even though you know it can cause long-term damage to their health — like it did you?

Lohan might not be Taylor

Lindsay Lohan's plans to relaunch her acting career may not be as set in stone as she thought. The troubled actress is up to play **Elizabeth Taylor** in a Lifetime TV movie, but the film's producer tells E! News that Lohan isn't the only starlet being considered. "I've been talking to Lindsay Lohan directly, and with her reps, and have been in conversation with other actresses, including **Megan Fox**," **Larry Thompson** says. "It's a very serious selection. It's like casting for Hollywood royalty."

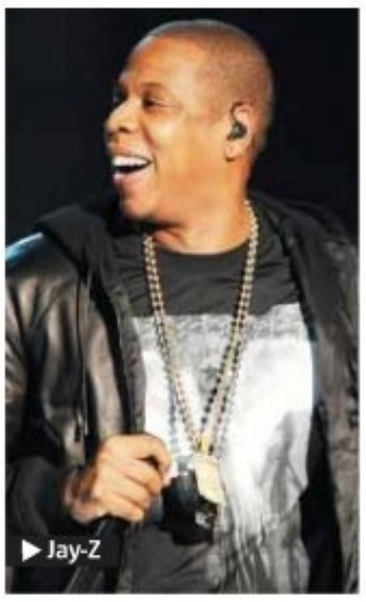
If Taylor's really Hollywood royalty, why are you having Hollywood jesters up for the role?

Lohan

Talking points

Ninety-nine problems, but his daughter isn't one

Now that he's a dad to a baby girl, **Jay-Z** is cleaning up his act, according to NME. The rapper has released a poem vowing to stop using the word "bitch" in his lyrics. "Before I got in the game, made a change, and got rich. I didn't think hard about using the word bitch," he writes. "I rapped, I flipped it, I sold it, I lived it. Now with my daughter in this world I curse those that give it." Jay-Z also released a song earlier this month that features the sounds of daughter **Blue Ivy Carter** cooing and crying, which made her the youngest person ever to be credited on the U.S. Billboard singles chart.



▶ Jay-Z

Gervais: His last Golden Globes?

Though he's said it after both his previous Golden Globes hosting stints, **Ricky Gervais** insists he won't be back to lead the awards show again. "I've told my agent to never let me be persuaded to do it again," he writes on his blog. "It's like a parachute jump. You can only really enjoy it in retrospect when you realize you didn't die and it was quite an amazing thing to do." As for the crowd of Hollywood luminaries, Gervais says it was an improvement on last year. "The crowd was great this year," Gervais writes. "I think they finally worked out that my gags only seemed rude and nasty but were actually not too scary at all. Or they were just drunker."

▶ Gervais

Lavigne and Jenner are no more

Avril Lavigne and **Brody Jenner** have reportedly split up, according to Life & Style. "It wasn't working out, and they wanted to go their separate ways," a source says. "She wanted to settle down, but he wasn't exactly ready." Lavigne was previously married to musician **Deryck Whibley**.

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A few candid shots for your Wednesday

1. Maria Shriver and son Patrick Schwarzenegger (hubba hubba!) attended a game between the Dallas Mavericks and the Los Angeles Lakers at Staples Center on Monday in Los Angeles.

2. Penelope Cruz was snapped leaving her hotel on Tuesday in London.

3. Ashley Greene was caught by a photographer getting made up during her final day of filming for "Pan Am" on the streets of Manhattan on Monday.

4. Lindsay Lohan left after her probation update hearing at the Airport Courthouse on Tuesday in Los Angeles. Lohan received a positive review from Judge Stephanie Sautner and is due back in court in February for another update hearing.

5. Elizabeth Banks arrived for "The Late Show with David Letterman" at Ed Sullivan Theater on Monday in New York City.

6. Kate Moss was spotted leaving a Japanese restaurant on Monday in London, England.

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'Mistresses'

DRAMA. The third and final season kicks off with the ladies no longer friends. Did Katie's mom, played by Joanna Lumley, have something to do with it? If she's anything like her "Absolutely Fabulous" character, the answer is most likely "yes." **Season premiere, 10 p.m., BBC America**

'Royal Pains'

COMEDY. The summer cliffhanger is resolved when the fate of Eric Kassabian (guest star Wilmer Valderrama) — who may have been given the wrong medication by HankMed — is revealed. With that business out of the way, the crew then does much more fun Hamptons activities. **10 p.m., USA**

'Top Chef: Texas'

REALITY. To inspire the chefs to create something "evil," Charlize Theron serves as guest judge. We're guessing the producers were thinking more about her role in the upcoming "Snow White and the Huntsman" and less about how, you know, gorgeous she is. **10 p.m., Bravo** ● AMBER RAY

'American Idol': 'This is the show that produces stars'

'The Voice' may be making noise over on NBC, but those involved with the Fox hit aren't concerned

MICHAEL BECKER/FOX

▶ The 11th season of "American Idol" premieres tonight at 8 on Fox.

"American Idol" was first on the reality singing competition scene, and its judges and producers don't want you — or any of those similar shows — to forget it.

"'Idol' is still the best TV show of its kind anywhere," judge Randy Jackson said while promoting Season 11 at the Television Critics Association press tour in Pasadena, Calif., last week. "We are the original. We kind of invented this whole game that everybody is now copying."

Jackson was referring in large part to "The X Factor," the vocal competition former "Idol" judge Simon Cowell brought to Fox (and then enlisted fellow "Idol" alum Paula Abdul to join). Before its premiere, Cowell boasted that "The X Factor" would topple "Idol" from its perch as the most-watched series in America. In reality, it drew about half the audience of "Idol."

Why the lopsided success? "This is the show that produces the stars," said "Idol" executive producer Ken Warwick. "There's no other series … over the years that has produced anything like the number of stars that we have."

Jackson saved even harsher words for the contestants of "The Voice," which proved to be a hit for NBC over the summer, by calling them "second-chance people" since the 2011 winner, Javier Colon, had a failed contract with Capitol Records before appearing on the contest. Adding to the forced animosity, Jackson made this comparison: "We will definitely never ever rip off 'Star Trek' like 'The Voice' did with spinning chairs. We won't do that," he said.

But not everyone associated with "Idol" views the crowded field of singing competitions as a bad thing. "It's a more competitive marketplace, but in the end, competition is good," said "Idol" executive producer Cecile Frot Coutaz. In that spirit, "Idol" will make slight tweaks to its format, and feature performance challenges that include a song from the '50s and a round stripping songs down to one voice, one instrument. That may not be enough for the show to sustain its unbeatable record. "I expect 'Idol' will be down [in ratings] this season," Fox President of Entertainment Kevin Reilly said, "but mostly due to the fact it's going to be an 11-year-old show."

"It's a more competitive marketplace, but in the end competition is good. … It means you have to raise your game. You have to be better."
"IDOL" EXECUTIVE PRODUCER CECILE FROT COUTAZ

Seacrest out?

Rumors have been circulating that Ryan Seacrest, in the last year of his "American Idol" contract, may ditch the hosting gig to move over to the "Today" show on NBC (he already has a deal with NBCUniversal). But Seacrest said he "can't imagine life without the show." "At this point, honestly, I only see myself as hosting 'American Idol,'" he said. "I'm focused on that for this season."

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GET THE LOOK: CHARLIZE THERON

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▶ Re-create Charlize Theron's Golden Globes look for your own red carpet moments.

Best actress nominee Charlize Theron didn't just wow us at the Golden Globes with her gorgeous pink Dior gown; we were equally smitten by the romantic updo stylist Enzo Angileri created for her. Here, he tells us how.

"I wanted her hair to have a casual feeling — very soft, almost as if she had pulled it together herself," explains Angileri. "The design is modern, asymmetrical and just a little messy."

Instructions:

▶ Angileri started by curling small sections of Theron's naturally wavy hair with a two-inch curling iron. "I used the larger iron because I didn't want to curl her hair, but to refine the natural wave. This helped create an effortless transition from her natural look to red carpet," he says.

▶ After a few minutes, he brushed through her hair to create a romantic, soft texture.

▶ Next, Angileri swept her hair to the left and made three sections. "I pulled and rolled the first two into a loose bun and pinned them, working with Moroccanoil Luminous Hairspray throughout the process. I released and wrapped the last section under and around the bun and pinned it. Finally, I adjusted and freed strands in the bun so it looked even more unstructured, messy and a bit wispy."

▶ The final touch was spraying the do with Moroccanoil Frizz Control. METRO

Get made-up

Theron's makeup was all Dior, natch. Here's the makeup that expert Shane Paish used.

▶ **Skin:** Dior L'Or de Vie La Creme, Diorskin Airflash Spray Foundation

▶ **Eyes:** Dior 5-Couleurs Eyeshadow in Garden Roses #841, Diorshow Extase Mascara

▶ **Lips:** Rouge Dior Lipcolor in Tulip Pink #448, Dior Addict Ultra-Gloss in Beige Tweed #227

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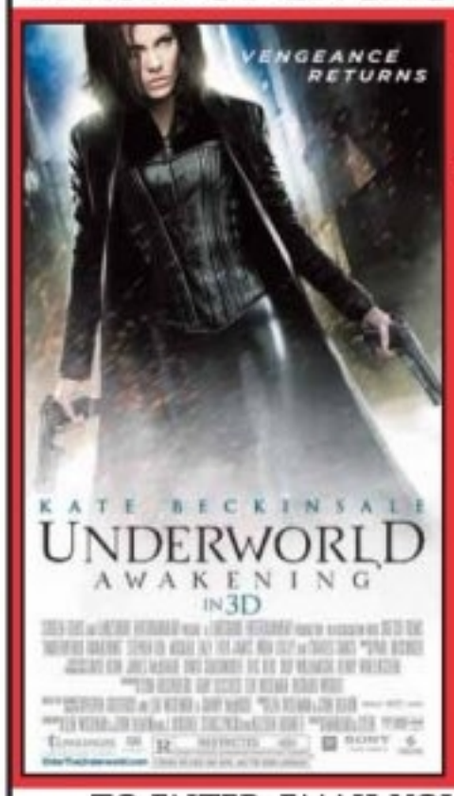

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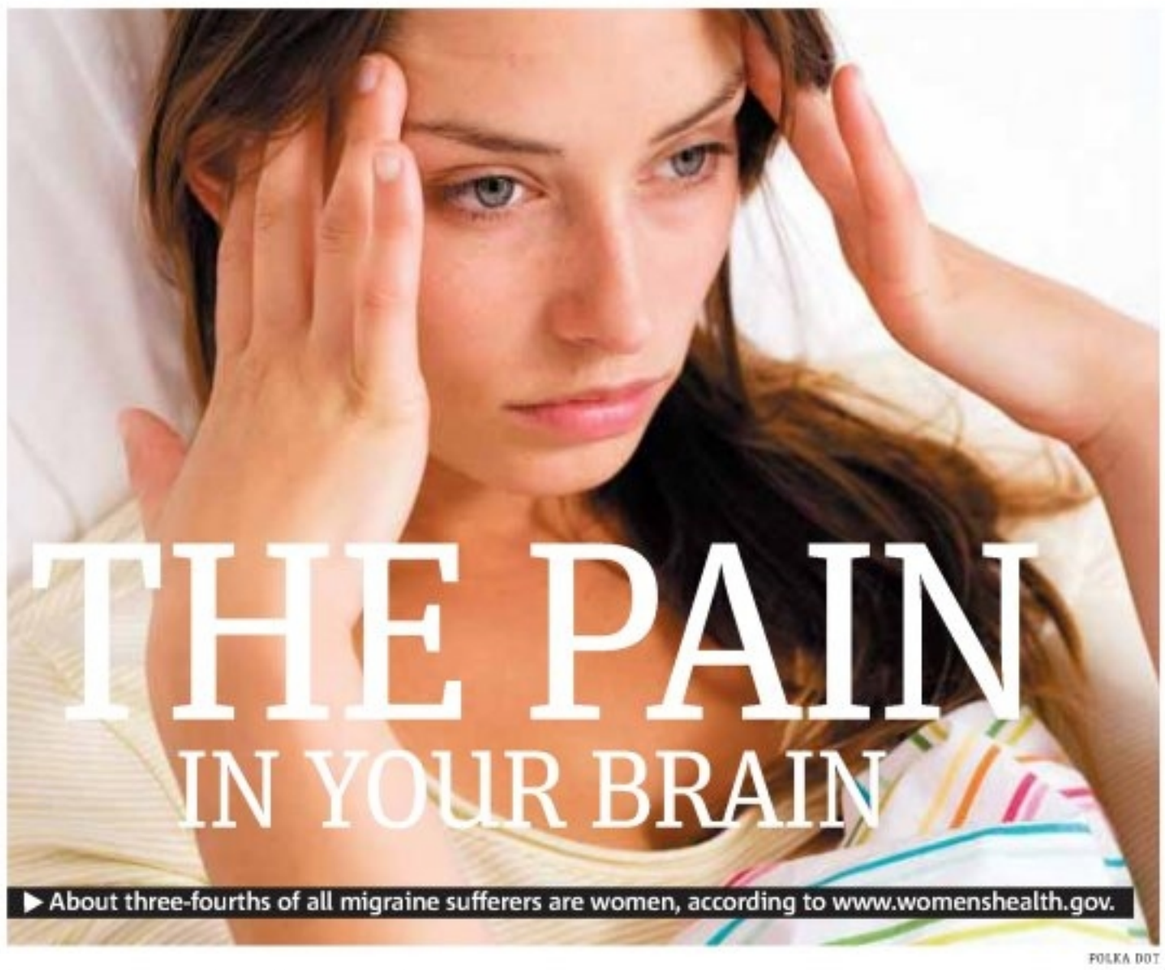

▶ About three-fourths of all migraine sufferers are women, according to www.womenshealth.gov.

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Migraines can be brutal. For severe sufferers, a migraine attack means nausea, vomiting and extreme head pain, often for days at a time. But there are many variations: Pain can be on one side of the head or on both, it can be intensified by anything from odors to noise to light, and it can be triggered by any one of those things, along with certain foods or drinks (particularly alcoholic ones).

"This is an under-researched area of medicine, and it's amazing how many people have them," says Dr. Elizabeth Loder, who heads Brigham and Women's/Faulkner Hospitals' Division of Headache and Pain in the Department of Neurology. "It's hard to distinguish underlying causes because there are so many. It is so individual. But there is a genetic tendency. Some people have brain tissue that's more susceptible to sensitivity. Migraines really do run in families."

Treatment varies from alleviating the symptoms via pain medications to altering brain chemistry to change the genetic sensitivity. "There are medications that make the brain less susceptible to the triggers. These are taken every day by people who have extreme migraines," says Dr. Loder.

"It's hard to distinguish underlying causes because there are so many. It is so individual. But there is a genetic tendency."
DR. ELIZABETH LODER

Migraine patients can also learn about their triggers. Common ones include red wine, chocolate, cheese, light, noise, odors and even emotional stress. Not getting enough sleep and skipping meals can lead to migraines too.

"Find out what triggers the sensitivity in you," Dr. Loder says, "and then avoid them."

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Get writing

Dr. Loder advises migraine sufferers to keep a diary, noting when a migraine occurs, its severity and what you had been doing or what was happening around that time. "This can be very helpful," she says.

"You don't have to write every hour — just make notes every day or so. Diagnosis is done by listening to the patient. There's no EEG [electroencephalography, a measure of brain movement] to detect it. So the more you tell your doctor, then the more effective the treatment."

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Can't blame Obama for sins of others

RE: "OBAMA MUST TAKE SOME RESPONSIBILITY": I share Mr. Falcon's frustration with the state of the country, but come on! How is President Obama responsible for a rise in teenage pregnancy, the housing slump or private-sector layoffs? Remember, it's Congress who passes laws, and the current House leadership has demonstrated it just doesn't care.
JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL

Be fair, do the math. It took the previous administration more than four years to bring things to this state. Wouldn't it be fair to at least give the present administration the equal amount of time to try to fix things?
AYNE CORBIE, VIA E-MAIL

"I can see it now: The true embodiment of 'trickle down.'"

RE: "WE SHOULD'VE SET UP A BOOTH TO URINATE ON BIN LADEN": The idea of shooting and peeing on people we hate will fit perfectly in my new "Dystopia World" concept — there's only one, but it's all third-world! I can see it now: the true embodiment of "trickle down" economics. Seriously though, has anyone ever heard of empathy, or are we all too busy publishing hate speech?
CHARLES BOSSE, VIA E-MAIL

We have one party: It's called big money

RE: "ENOUGH WITH BLAME; LET'S JUST GET BETTER": Frank St. George is right. We have one party in this country: big government. It has a Republican wing and a Democratic wing, but they are merely different sides of the same coin. Can you honestly say that Romney or Obama are sincere when they speak from their teleprompters?
KELLY DONNOE, LYNBROOK

Programs must be free of all bias

Some politicians are proposing, for austerity purposes, to dismantle some federal programs and to give those responsibilities to the states. Those people who suffered under Jim Crow, de facto segregation in schools, bias in contracts and other discriminatory practices at the local level might find this possibility disconcerting. We must ensure that state programs are administered fairly.
GLENN HAYES, VIA E-MAIL

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♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** All those good intentions of yours could quickly be swept aside if you let outside distractions influence you.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** You're not likely to be plagued with a lack of imagination. The problem you'll have will be one of being too easily swayed by your illogical concepts.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** You're likely to get a much better price from a stranger than from the usual places at which you do business.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Although your objectives are worthy ones, a busybody could gum up the works for you if you let him or her do so.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Be careful not to give to an unworthy pal while forgetting about someone who has done much for you.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** There are no guarantees that you will yield the same good fortune if you replicate a friend's endeavor.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Disappointment on your part can be minimized by realizing that you can't be all things to all people.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** If you want to fulfill an important objective, you need to be quite shrewd and resourceful.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** If you make this day one of prudent spending and negotiation, it'll pay off for you more than usual.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** If you try something hard and fall short, it's likely to stop you from trying anything else.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Don't be a source for gossip or hearsay that has yet to be substantiated. If you say anything negative about another, chances are the same will be said about you.
BERNICE BEDE OSOL

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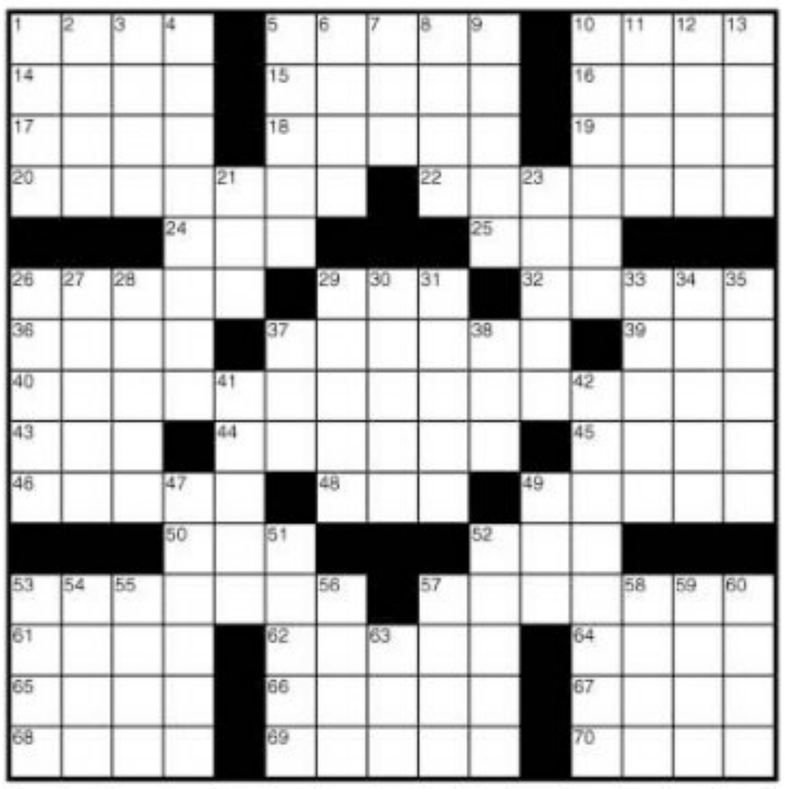

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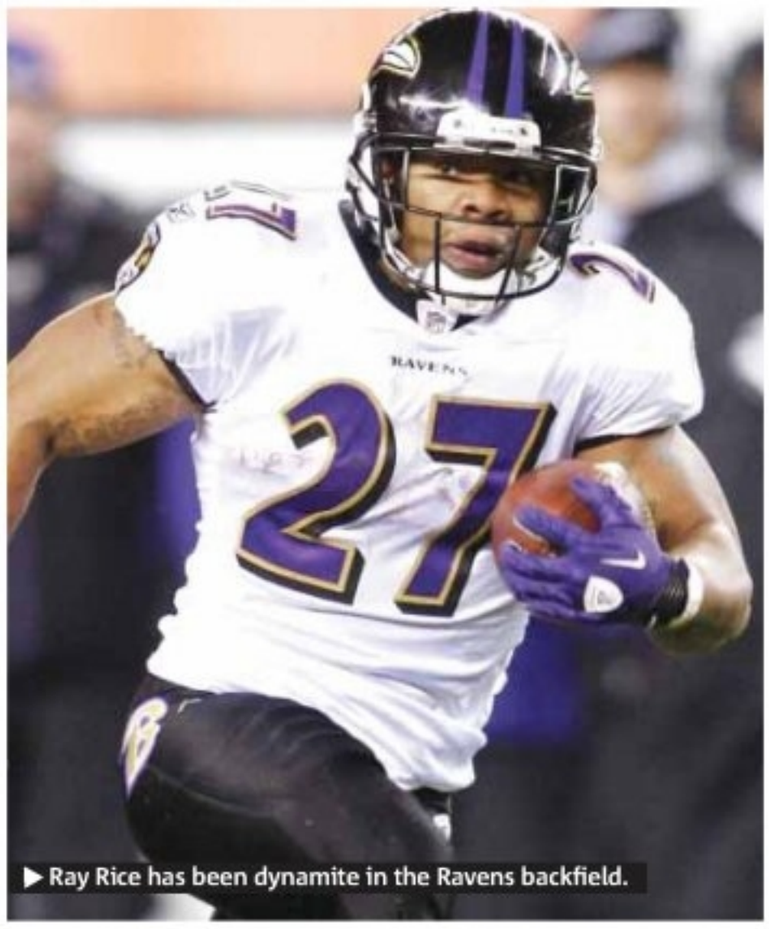
▶ Ray Rice has been dynamite in the Ravens backfield.

- Flacco has been disappointment but backs, receivers all outstanding
- Pair of tight ends can do damage

Yes, Metro bashed Joe Flacco a bit yesterday.

We said he's nothing more than an average-at-best quarterback in this league, and we stand by that. But at the same time, the Pats would be foolish to overlook what the Ravens offense can do as a whole when given the opportunity.

And as any Patriots fan knows, this season's Pats defense allows a lot of opportunities.

So while Flacco isn't the next Tom Brady (who is?), he's got weapons at his disposal that the Patriots would love to have — and a top-ranked running back in Ray Rice.

"The receivers are productive, their tight ends are very productive and, of course, (Ray) Rice is their leading receiver," Bill Belichick said. "I think it's a little bit like the passing that we're familiar with. You take one guy away and they can beat you with, whether it's Torrey Smith or (Anquan) Boldin or last week (Lee) Evans made a big play for them. They have a lot of different guys."

It hasn't taken an All-Pro wideout to beat up on the Patriots secondary, ranked 31st in passing yardage allowed, this season so they'll need to be on high alert for Baltimore's attack.

"Their receivers, Torrey Smith, he is very explosive, very fast and can get down the field in a hurry," Patriots defensive backs coach Josh Boyer said. "Anquan Boldin, a veteran player who can go up and get the ball as good as anybody."

With all that talent, the Pats can't be caught sleeping.

"Ray Rice and Ricky Williams out of the backfield, those guys do an excellent job," Boyer said. "They have two tight ends, Ed Dickson and Dennis Pitta that they will throw the ball to, they will run routes just like receivers."

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As of last night, the Patriots were -7.5 favorites for the AFC championship game against the Ravens according to Vegasinsider.com

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The Ravens are averaging a paltry 2.8 yards per carry this postseason. Granted it's only one game, but that ranks dead last among the 12 playoff teams.

▶ Carl Crawford

Crawford will need surgery

If Red Sox outfielder Carl Crawford is going to rebound from his lousy first year in Boston, he might have to wait a bit.

General manager Ben Cherington announced yesterday that Crawford underwent surgery on his left wrist to remove damaged tissue.

It is possible Crawford could be ready for the season opener, but Cherington made no promises.

"We're not ruling out Opening Day," Cherington said, "but we're not going to put a timeline on it. Carl will be ready exactly when he's ready. There's nobody who works harder than Carl, so I'm confident he'll be back and playing soon." METRO

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Ellsbury back
Jacoby Ellsbury avoided arbitration yesterday and will get a one-year contract of $8.05 million from the Red Sox.

A long-term deal was not discussed.

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Colts dump head coach Caldwell

▶ Caldwell

On Christmas Day 2009, Jim Caldwell was undefeated at 14-0 as a head coach in the NFL.

A little more than two years later, he is finished in Indianapolis. The Colts fired Caldwell on Tuesday after leading the once-proud franchise to a 2-14 record in 2011.

"This is obviously a big transitional time for us, but I know we're excited moving forward and it's hard when you say goodbyes to some people," Colts owner Jim Irsay told ESPN. "But it's part of the business.

The move came two weeks after the stunning announcement from Irsay that Colts architect Bill Polian would not return to the club in 2012.

Polian was replaced by 39-year-old Ryan Grigson, who had a hand in letting Caldwell go.

"We just came to the conclusion that this is best moving forward for the franchise," Grigson said about the move. METRO

Hit the reset button

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▶ Contending teams have started to inquire about Paul Pierce.

◗ Pierce trade rumors pop up amid losing streak ◗ Jermaine O'Neal upset about current perception

We were told this day would come.

"The Big 3" are now too old to beat title contenders. Certain players are getting defensive, through their words, not their play. And trade rumors involving previously "untradeable" assets are beginning to swirl.

This is the beginning of the end of the Celtics (4-8) as we have come to know them.

Tonight, not even a month into the 2011-12 season, the Celtics are playing a must-win game against a dreadful opponent in the 4-10 Toronto Raptors at TD Garden (7:30, CSNNE).

Monday night the Celtics welcomed back old friend Kendrick Perkins and his presence alone offered a quick glimpse into the highly uncertain future of the Celtics and the now-ready-for-prime time Thunder. The C's played one of their best games of the season, but simply did not have the legs to hang with the youthful Thunder in a 97-88 loss.

They are now losers of five-straight games, the longest such streak in "The Big 3" era.

Following Monday's game, center Jermaine O'Neal took a few shots at his critics.

"There's a lot of misconception, a lot of debate from people who supposedly analyze the game," O'Neal said. "You have to know what position the team has players in. The fact of the matter is that Doc [Rivers] has given each of us a role, so all of this debate about what I score … I probably won't even answer that after this time. For all of you wondering about production with me scoring, that's not my role."

Adding to the sense of urgency on Causeway Street is the thought that captain Paul Pierce could be potential trade bait, according to a report by Yahoo Sports!, if the Celtics are unable to turn things around in a hurry.

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"The people out there that's saying I'm struggling offensively, that's not my concern. I think I'm in the top 10 in blocks."
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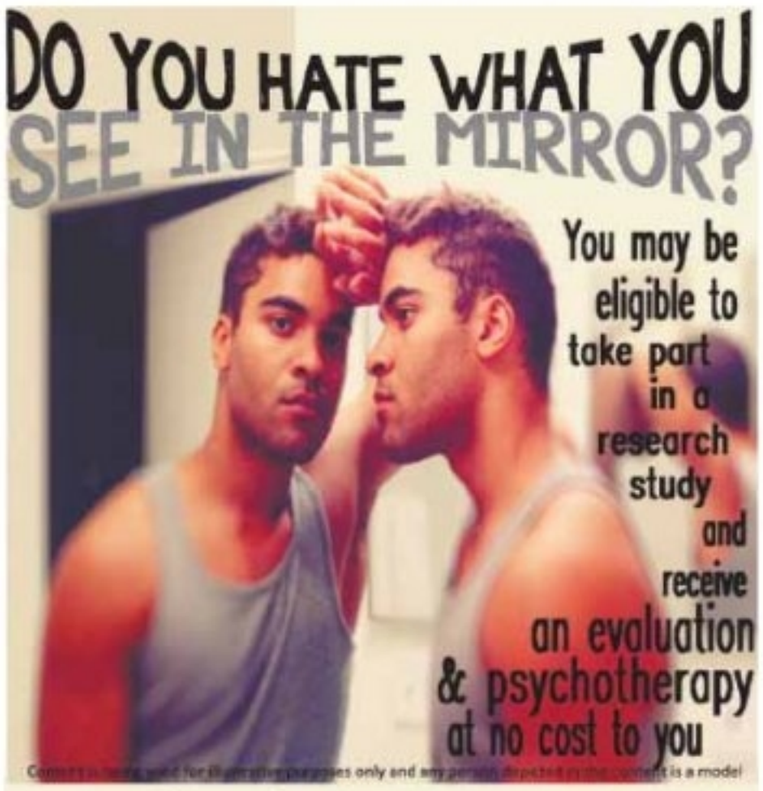

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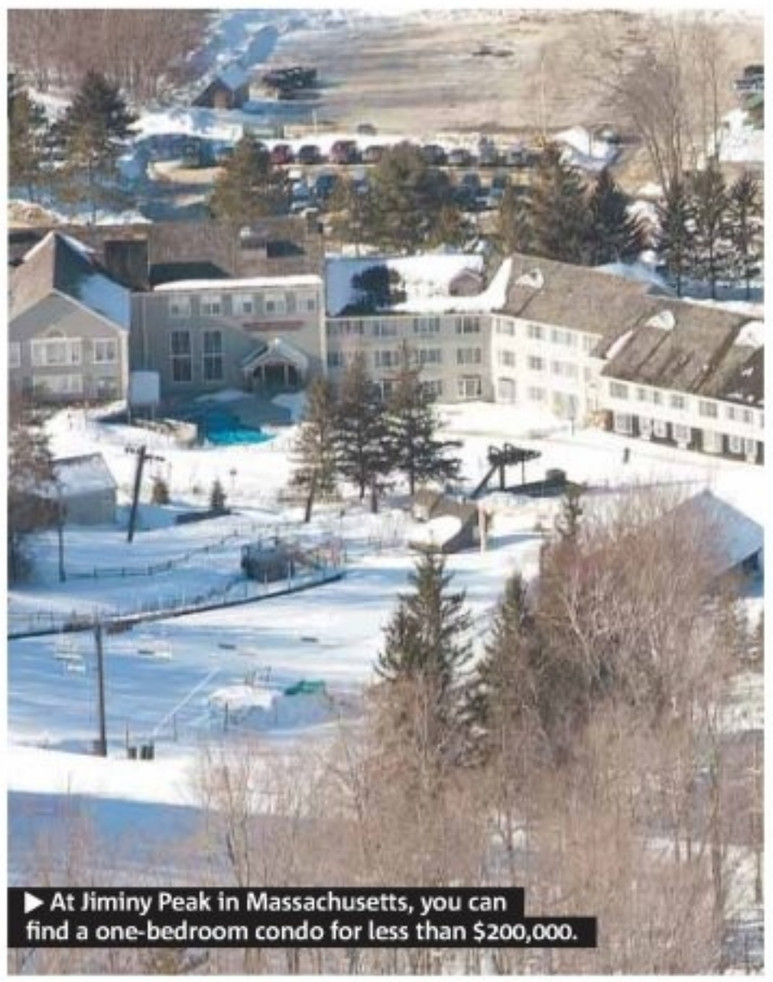

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More homeowners are turning to professional stagers to ready their homes before listing their properties.

Staging a home could be as easy as putting away the kids' toys or as complex as renting all new furniture.

We spoke with staging expert Mary O'Grady, whose Newton staging business has grown rapidly in the past two years, about what details should never be overlooked.

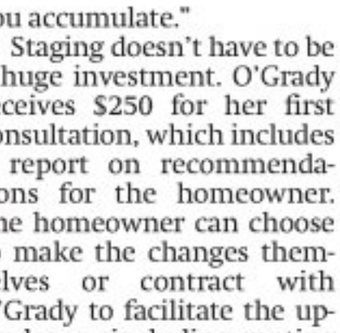
"Right now there are so many homes out there that yours has to look the best," says O'Grady, who founded Stage to Sell by Mary six years ago in response to customer demand.

According to O'Grady, people "engage" with a home in the first 30 seconds of viewing it, therefore the critical areas to focus on are the yard, front door, entryway and first room in the house.

"In the spring market, have the lawn trimmed, the debris picked up and colorful flowers planted," says O'Grady. "Make the entryway welcoming so people want to continue to the next room."

O'Grady says redecorating isn't necessary. In most cases, paring back the clutter is the key to success: "That means clearing the counter tops in the kitchen so it looks like it's ready to have a party or putting away the toys and books. ... The longer you live in a home, the more you accumulate."

Staging doesn't have to be a huge investment. O'Grady receives $250 for her first consultation, which includes a report on recommendations for the homeowner. The homeowner can choose to make the changes themselves or contract with O'Grady to facilitate the upgrades — including renting furniture, redesigning and painting.



O'Grady says:

Tips to get your home ready for the market:

- De-clutter to make the most of your space.
- Hire a professional cleaner to clean the house from top to bottom.
- Neutralize the colors on the walls.
- Remove 99 percent of the family photos.
- Make sure the outside is litter-free.

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▶ Make your house look lived in, but not like you live in it.

▶ This Brookline home was de-cluttered to make it more visually appealing to prospective buyers. O'Grady says the owners received an offer for $35,000 over the asking price after one open house.

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Charles Dickens is now safely buried. Remnants of ancient England that ruled our probate procedures in Massachusetts will be gone in a few months. Beginning this April, the Massachusetts version of the Uniform Probate Code will become the law.

And with it, a new informal procedure will allow one's heirs to probate a simple estate in a speedy process.

Under the new law, a person filing a will now has a choice: utilize a formal process in which a judge oversees the probate or elect an informal process that lets court clerks, designated as Magistrates, approve the will or a petition where there is no will.

While certain types of estates must go before a judge, most are straight-forward, uncontested and are perfect for the new informal process.

The new law also changed many of the rules regarding wills and inheritance.

For example, the rule in Massachusetts that marriage revoked a will made prior to the ceremony unless the will directed otherwise has been changed, among other important revisions.

So don't take chances. It makes good sense to review and update your will before the new law goes into effect.

And if you don't have a will, well you can guess my advice! © 2012 George Warshaw.

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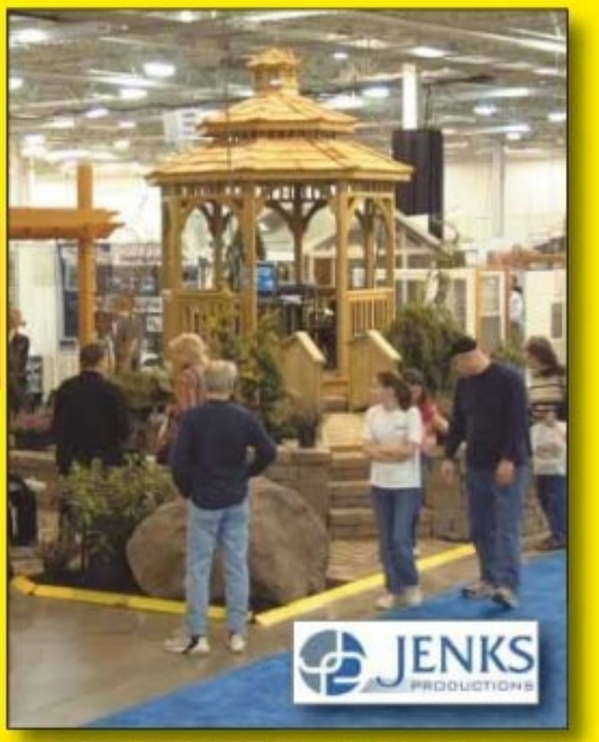

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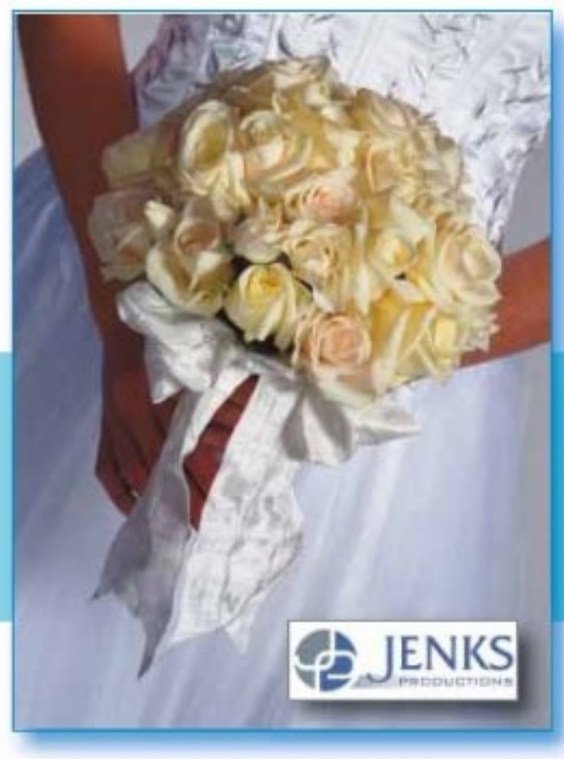

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